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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Official Action dated July 1, 2003, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the species of Group 1 (Figure 1). Applicant submits that Claims 9-20 are readable on the elected species and that independent Claim 9 is generic to the species of Group 1 and Group 2 (Figure 2). Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species. An early and favorable action is solicited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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